

WESTON HILLS

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of Crenshaw boulevard, south of Pacific Coast highway, were not paved and concrete aprons were not installed at some of the dwellings, as was required when the tract maps were approved.

City Engineer Ronald Bishop's report says drainage in most of the lots may be improved if driveways are lowered in each instance. Recommended lowerings vary between an inch and a foot.

OPEN HOUSE

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children's materials, classroom work, science materials and geography and history exhibits are featured.

El Nido School has arranged an educational fair in which each teacher will present a subject of the curriculum. Methods of teaching the subjects will be demonstrated by teachers and students.

Perry School plans to invite parents to visit classrooms during the week.

Crenshaw Parents are invited to visit classes at Crenshaw School during Public Schools Week.

Wood Parents are invited to visit classrooms during the week to observe the regular program. There will be an open house and dedication Monday evening, April 26 to which the public is invited.

Torrance High School Activities have been scheduled during Public Schools Week for parents of High School students to learn about the program. Senior parents will be invited to Torrance High School on April 26 to assist in the planning of the senior party to be held after graduation. Senior parents will also be invited to attend the conference at 9 a.m. in the high school cafeteria with the El Camino Junior College counseling staff. Parents of high school juniors will be invited to attend a play to be presented by the junior class during public schools week. Parents of high school freshmen will be invited to visit 9th grade classes at their convenience during the week.

The public is invited to see any school activity or classroom during the week.

Army Pvt. William E. Evans, whose wife, Julia Ree, lives at 3128 187th St., is now serving with the 3rd Infantry division

LAW SUIT

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grade; no design provided to justify a depth of less than 18 inches below grade.

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2. Two-by-four rafters at 32-inch spacing exceeded maximum span permitted of 6-foot by 10-inch, and 2x4 rafters at 24-inch spacing exceeded the maximum span permitted of 7-foot 11-inch without proper bracing and design.

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3. Permitting improper construction of footings supporting the foundations under the exterior building walls, that is, that the footings were not located at a depth of 18 inches below grade, nor were they designed justifying a depth of less than 18 inches below grade.

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4. Failing to provide solid blocking between floor joists over supports, as required in section 3105 of the building code, and adequate end support for floor girders supporting floor joists of at least 3 inches full bearing on a foundation wall as required by section 2517 of the code.

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The violations are listed as taking place between April 19, 1953 and July 9, 1953. It will take from one month to six months before the case is brought to trial, City Attorney James Hall stated.



FOUNDER: Nate Adelson is founder of Adelson brothers chain which has assumed the ownership of Market Town, Compton boulevard and Western avenue.

Market Town Celebrates Grand Opening

Market Town at 16017 South Crenshaw in Gardena is having its official grand opening under the new ownership of Nate and Merv Adelson Thursday April 22 through Sunday April 25.

Prices in every department have been slashed to the bone for this big four-day event and the new owners are going all out to make this an outstanding smash-sale.

Entertainment

Entertainment of all types has been scheduled with "Hawthorne" putting in an appearance Saturday afternoon. Free gifts will be presented throughout the sale with everyone being given an equal chance to win gifts of all kinds, including bicycles and barbecues. All sorts of small gifts plus merchandise orders and samples will be given away all day. The All Expense Paid Trip to Las Vegas will be awarded Friday night, April 23 at 8 o'clock. Winners need not be present. The name of the winner will be posted in the market for one week.

The Adelsons have had long experience in the super market business, operating for the past 30 years in Los Angeles, West Los Angeles, North Hollywood and Beverly Hills. "We have always stressed giving our customers every service, featuring quality foods at low prices in a clean friendly atmosphere," Nate Adelson said.

"We Strive," Merv Adelson stated, "to make it not only a convenience but a pleasure to shop at our markets and it is my intention to attempt to meet and greet every customer personally and impress him or her with the fact that every item we sell receives our unconditional guarantee. It is my aim to render every personal service and the service of the entire personnel at all times and I will

MAYOR

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rette lighter by the remaining councilmen as a token of appreciation.

"Thank you, gentlemen," Spelman said by way of farewell, "it's been quite an experience. Good hunting, and happy landing."

Following a tribute paid Spelman by Councilman Blount, City Manager George Stevens said,

"To the outgoing councilman my best wishes. He has served the city well. My best wishes also to the new councilman, Albert Isen. To all of you I pledge the best government possible."

City Attorney James Hall remarked,

"Councilman Spelman has given a lot to the city. He has served strictly on the basis of service, no personal interests being involved. I wish the new members and the council the best of luck."

Isen Addresses Audience

Councilman Albert Isen, who was greeted by a lengthy round of applause when he first entered the council chamber and on several subsequent occasions, addressed the audience after he had been officially seated. He praised Spelman for his "valuable" services. Isen recalled the path he, himself, has traveled from the other end of El Prado (Torrance High School) to the council chamber as of this week.

Isen, as did Dralle in a concluding speech, introduced long-time friends and the members of his family.

"This was a campaign of friends and friendships," Isen concluded. "... I will pursue the tasks of my office with utmost energy and ability. Thank you very, very much — each and every one of you."

Also sworn into office Tuesday night were A. H. Bartlett, city clerk, and Harriett V. Leech, city treasurer.

REZONING

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Planning Commission on several occasions that the trend of Torrance's business development lies in the direction of Torrance boulevard. He called it poor planning that will not accept or keep up with changing conditions.

A letter addressed by Beverly B. Smith, president of the Planning Commission, to the council stated that the most economical use of the land in question would be to keep it zoned as is, Armstrong stated. There is no evidence in the Planning Commission minutes to support any of these recommendations or findings, the attorney told the council.

Councilman Harvey Spelman made the motion, which was seconded by Councilman Willys Blount, for non-concurrence with the Planning Commission's recommendation. The motion was passed-unanimously by the council.

welcome any and all suggestions or constructive criticism that will help satisfy our mutual relations."

CITY PREPARED FOR NATURAL DISASTERS

In case a major natural disaster strikes, Torrance is prepared.

That is the conclusion of George Powell, Torrance civil defense coordinator, following a "test-disaster" last week which "involved" Torrance and eight South Bay areas.

Torrance's "disaster" consisted of a major earthquake which ruptured pipe lines in the refinery area, caused numerous major and minor fires, destroyed 80 per cent of all structures in a mile-wide belt centered on the fissure and 25 to 45 per cent of the structures outside that area, caused odorous gas to escape, severed high voltage wires, created traffic jams on major arteries, and produced a 50 per cent power failure.

This test was to determine how efficiently the service chiefs in charge of the various defense divisions could operate.

Good and Bad Points

"The most important thing which this test-disaster proved is that we can handle natural disasters efficiently," Powell stated. The service chiefs came into the control center without benefit of explanations. Each took his given report and had the solution to all the problems and even additional ones within half an hour. We had no lull or confusion."

When asked what the weakest link in the local defense set-up was, Powell named the lack of an adequate control center.

"There is no one place where the service chiefs can work and where we can set up our equipment and records. We had hoped for such a place in the new civic center which the voters turned down in the recent election."

What of War Disasters

Our defense against war-time disasters is a different story, Powell indicated.

"The best assurance we have for meeting war-time emergencies lies in our preparation for natural disasters. Our ability to meet natural disasters will help us adapt ourselves to coping with war-time situations as well."

No Final Plan

Powell stated that no final war-time defense system has been endorsed as yet by the government. New developments are constantly changing the defense picture. One of the present controversies concerns what to do in case of an air attack. Some high defense sources have recommended the "duck and cover plan" while others have advanced the "dispersal plan." The dispersal plan calls for the mass evacuation of the total population in the Los Angeles area. Some recent studies have shown this proposal to be completely impossible. The "duck and cover plan" has appeared inadequate in the light of recent H-bomb developments.



TO THE RESCUE... George C. Powell, left, assistant director of civil defense and Casper W. Clemmer, rescue service chief, get into harness for rescue operations. The multiple rescue truck is part of the equipment which is available to the city in time of disaster.

"One of the big things that I am immediately concerned about in regard to war-time disasters is the problem of communication," Powell said. "Whatever our defense set-up will be, we've got to reach all the areas in Torrance."

Participants

Those who participated in last Thursday's drill included: Carl L. Backlund, scoutmaster troop 254; scout messengers, Max Guymon, Keith Edwards, Walter Cotton, Doug Bergen, Phillip Edwards, Leon Westham, Duke Eingham, George Simons, Kenny Wheat, Dennis F. Edwards, Wendell Salbat, Elva McMillin, staff aid chairman Red Cross; Jean E. Mackrey, welfare center manager; Casper W. Clemmer, rescue service; Police Chief W. H. Haslam, law enforcement; W. E. King, law enforcement; R. W. Johnston, Torrance Jayco's Fire Chief J. J. Benner, N. Whitney, fire department; H. W. Bishop, building inspector; Ronald W. Bishop, engineering; George C. Powell, assistant director of civil defense.

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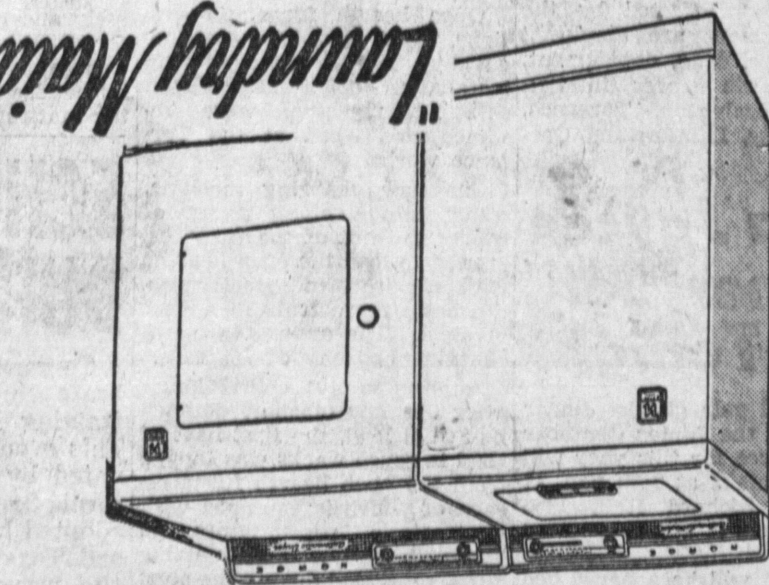
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